

**AMENDED MINUTES
AS APPROVED SEPTEMBER 7, 2005**

**NEIGHBORHOOD ENHANCEMENT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, July 20, 2005 – 5:30 P.M.
3rd Floor,
One Civic Center**

Present: Chairman John Shultz
Vice-Chair Patty Badenoch
Commissioner Lisa Haskell
Commissioner Dick Kiesell
Commissioner Jim Pompe (arrived at 5:37 p.m.)
Commissioner Christine Schild

Absent: Commissioner John Horwitz (excused)

Staff Present: Raun Keagy
Joanie Mead

Guests: Applicants as noted below
Councilman Lane

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

A regular meeting of the Neighborhood Enhancement Commission was called to order at 5:31 p.m. Members were present as stated above.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 1, 2005 MEETING MINUTES

**COMMISSIONER KIESELL MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HASKELL. THE MOTION CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Presentation and possible Commission action on a Neighborhood Enhancement
Partnership Request from Scottsdale Ranch Community Association (HOA 9-05)**

Kathe Barnes, Bonnie Corneil, and Jeff Kidder from the Association were in attendance. The Applicants made a presentation to the Commission and answered Commissioners' questions. A discussion ensued.

Commissioner Badenoch read the following statement into the record:

"I will be supporting the motion, but under this statement:

1) "Policy language specifies three independent bids that must be submitted with all requests exceeding \$1,000. If the requested proposal was forwarded to us because concessions were made in the past by the Commission regarding the three bid requirement, then for future consideration I would like to see a review of our policies to reword the language."

2) "I feel this proposal is a good example of endangerment to the direction of what I would like to see regarding real need. Real need versus merely goodwill action is the direction I prefer to see Neighborhood Enhancement move forward. HOAs have a distinct monetary advantage over non-HOAs. By and large, I believe that HOAs can manage by themselves without our funds. Fundamentally, they are by far able to organize and apprise themselves to take advantage of opportunities. Perhaps some of our allocated monies could be better spent for public outreach, targeting specifically neighborhoods who really need our help."

Chairman Shultz noted that there was some latitude in the Commission's guidelines about the requirement for three bids, as there were times when applicants had been unable to obtain bids from contractors.

COMMISSIONER POMPE MOVED TO FUND THE SCOTTSDALE RANCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SCHILD. THE MOTION CARRIED FOUR (4) TO TWO (2), WITH COMMISSIONERS HASKELL AND KIESELL DISSENTING.

Presentation and possible Commission action on a Neighborhood Enhancement Partnership Request from the Scottsdale Pride Committee for the Treasures 'n' Trash Citywide Litter Cleanup Event (CP 1-05)

Lisa Cline, Don Scott, and Rosanna Organ of the Scottsdale Pride Committee made a presentation to the Commission. A discussion ensued on whether this funding should be a line item in the Citizen & Neighborhood Resources Department's budget. Councilman Lane spoke and Ms. Abts commented that this would be a possibility.

APPLAUDING THE EVENT, COMMISSIONER KIESELL MOVED THAT THE TREASURES 'N' TRASH EVENT BE FUNDED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,500. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BADENOCH. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Presentation and possible Commission action on a Neighborhood Enhancement Partnership Request from the Citizen Police Academy Alumni of Scottsdale (CIPAAS) for the Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods (GAIN) event (CP 2-05)

Carrie Abts introduced John Packham and Kevin Bergner of CIPAAS and made a presentation to the Commission.

VICE-CHAIRMAN BADENOCH MOVED THAT THE GAIN EVENT BE FUNDED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,000. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SCHILD. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Discussion and possible Commission decision regarding the guidelines for the Neighborhood Enhancement Partnership program as they related to funding requests from Neighborhood Groups (non-HOA) within a Property Owners Association (POA)

Ms. Mead facilitated the discussion. She distributed a summary of information points related to this policy question. Councilman Lane participated in the discussion, encouraging the Commission to review its guidelines and present its deliberations to City staff. He noted that although there are by-laws regulating the Commission, they have never been codified. Mr. Keagy briefly reviewed the history of the Commission.

A discussion ensued on how best to fulfill the mission of the Commission and how to provide assistance to neighborhood groups which are non-HOAs.

COMMISSIONER KIESELL MOVED THAT NEIGHBORHOODS WHICH RESIDE ENTIRELY WITHIN HOAs OR POAs BE TREATED BY THE COMMISSION AS HOAs UNDER THE EXISTING GUIDELINES. SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN BADENOCH. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Staff and Commission Updates

Mr. Keagy noted that the City Auditor's office was conducting an audit of the Neighborhood Enhancement Partnership (NEP) program. He announced that he and Malcolm Hankins will review what they have learned from the code focus groups at the Commission's September meeting.

Chairman Shultz thanked Commissioner Kiesell for his years of service on the Commission, noting that this was his last meeting.

Next Meeting Date and Future Agenda Items

The next meeting will be held September 7th, 2005 at 5:30 p.m. Items on the agenda include an application from the Ranch Highlands subdivision, and possible applications from elementary schools.

Councilman Lane felt that funding applications for school beautification was a phenomenal application and an exact fit with the neighborhood concept. He noted that security concerns with high schools were leading to a fortress-like appearance which impacts the neighborhood. He hopes that some way might be found to enhance the communities and work with the school district.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
A-V Tronics, Inc.